8th June 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Changed Advice on the Wearing of Face Coverings in School

Thank you for your ongoing support as you assist us in implementing a range of safety measures to keep our school and the wider community safe.

As you may be aware, there has been a rise in transmission of COVID-19 in the Manchester area. As a result of this situation, from Wednesday 9th June, face coverings will be re-introduced for students in school. Students will be expected to wear a face covering in communal areas within the school buildings **and** in classrooms. This temporary measure will be kept under review with control measures eased or increased depending on the rate of transmission and advice from Public Health.

This wearing of face coverings does not apply to students who are exempt. This includes people who cannot put on, wear or remove a face covering because of a physical or mental illness or impairment, or disability and people for whom putting on, wearing or removing a face covering will cause severe distress.

Please discuss this with your child and remind them of the importance of upholding all our safety measures and sticking to all the guidelines whilst they are on site and travelling to and from school. Please ensure your child comes in to school each day with a face covering, plus a spare, if possible.

Continuing to perform twice weekly lateral flow testing at home will also help reduce transmission.

Thank you once again for your continued support.

Linda Guest

Headteacher